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Dear Sir:

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

In the Notice of Allowability attached to the Notice of Allowance mailed on June 16, 2006, the Examiner provided a statement of reasons for allowance. Although Applicant gratefully acknowledges the Examiner's allowance of the present claims, the Applicant does not necessarily agree that the Beauchamp reference (U.S. Patent No. 6,434,441) discloses certain claim features as stated by the Examiner. However, the Applicant does agree that the Beauchamp reference and the Rebello reference (U.S. Patent No. 6,856,842) fail to disclose certain claim features including those identified by the Examiner. The Applicant also stresses that the Examiner's statement does not separately address each independent claim. For these reasons, among others, the Applicant respectfully submits that the independent claims 1, 11, 21, and 22 and their dependent claims are patentable based on certain features explicitly recited in each claim.

Respectfully submitted,

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